

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus for forming an image, comprising:

a receiving part configured to receive, from a requesting device, a ticket showing a use permission of an object data set, the ticket being obtained by the requesting device from a repository apparatus;

a sending part configured to send the received ticket to the repository apparatus and to receive, in response, a document identification corresponding to the object data set;

a process indication receiving part ~~receiving~~ configured to receive, from the requesting device, a process indication indicating an instruction that requests execution of a process from a requesting part corresponding to the object data set; and

a process executing part ~~executing~~ configured to execute the process in accordance with a process instruction description specified by [[a]] an instruction description identification indicated by the process instruction.

2. (Currently Amended) The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:

a process item sending part ~~sending~~ configured to send process items to the requesting [[part]] device in response to an obtain request for obtaining the process items set in the process instruction description from the requesting [[part]] device.

3. (Currently Amended) The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:

a change request receiving part ~~receiving~~ configured to receive a change request indicating subject process items of the process instruction description, said subject process items which are subjects of changing;

an instruction changing part ~~changing~~ configured to change the process instruction description in accordance with the subject process items of changing,

wherein when said process instruction receiving part ~~receives~~ is configured to receive the process instruction, and said process executing part ~~executes~~ is configured to execute the process in accordance with the process instruction description changed by said instruction description changing part.

4. (Currently Amended) The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:

an instruction description sending part ~~sending~~ configured to send the process instruction description to the requesting ~~[[part]]~~ device in response to ~~[[the]]~~ an obtain request of the process instruction description from the requesting ~~[[part]]~~ device.

5. (Currently Amended) The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 4, further comprising:

a process instruction description receiving part receiving the process instruction description sent from the requesting ~~[[part]]~~ device,

wherein when the process instruction receiving part receives the process instruction, the process executing part executes the process in accordance with the process instruction description received by said process instruction description receiving part.

6. (Currently Amended) The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 2, further comprising:

an instruction description storing part storing contents of the process instruction description executed by said process executing part to a predetermined storage area.

7. (Original) The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 6, wherein:

the predetermined storage area is externally provided and is externally accessed through a network; and

said instruction description storing part stores contents of the process instruction description to the predetermined storage area through the network.

8. (Currently Amended) The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:

a changing part obtaining information concerning executable process items from said process executing part and changing the process instruction description to an executable process instruction description,

wherein said process executing part executes the process in accordance with the executable process instruction changed by said changing part.

9. (Currently Amended) The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:

a communication controlling part ~~controlling~~ configured to control a communication with the requesting ~~[[part]]~~ device by a structural description language using a tag.

10. (Currently Amended) The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:

~~a ticket sending part issuing a ticket showing a use permission of a object data set directed to the process in response to a use permission request requesting the use permission of the object data set from the requesting part, and sending ticket identification identifying the ticket to the request part; and~~

a providing part specifying the object data set based on ~~[[the]]~~ a ticket identification indicated by the process instruction received by said process instruction receiving part, and providing the object data set and the process instruction description to said process executing part.

11. (Currently Amended) The image forming apparatus as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:

a use permission determining part determining a use permission based on a password indicated by a use permission request received from the requesting ~~[[part]]~~ device, the use permission request requesting ~~[[a]]~~ the use permission of ~~[[an]]~~ the object data set directed to the process.

12. (Currently Amended) An image forming method executable in an image forming system for executing a process in response to a request from a requesting ~~[[part]]~~ device, comprising the steps of:

receiving, from the requesting device, a ticket showing a use permission of an object data set, the ticket being obtained by the requesting device from a repository apparatus;

sending the received ticket to the repository apparatus and receiving, in response, a document identification corresponding to the object data set;

[[a)] receiving, from the requesting device, a process instruction ~~instructing an~~ that requests execution of the process corresponding to the object data set ~~from the requesting~~ part; and

[[b)] executing the process in accordance with a process instruction description including process items to execute in response to the process instruction, said process items ~~indicted~~ indicated by the process instruction.

13. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus, comprising:
an obtaining part configured to obtain, from a repository apparatus, a ticket showing a
use permission of an object data set;

a sending part configured to send the obtained ticket to an apparatus for executing a
process corresponding to the object data set;

an identification obtaining part ~~obtaining~~ configured to obtain an instruction description identification specifying a process instruction description from [[an]] the apparatus for executing [[a]] the process, said instruction description identification setting process items; and

a process instruction sending part ~~indicating~~ configured to indicate the instruction description identification obtained from the identification obtaining part and ~~sending to send~~ a process instruction instructing an execution of the process to the apparatus.

14. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus as claimed in claim 13, further comprising:

a process item obtaining part ~~obtaining~~ configured to obtain the process items set in the process instruction description from the apparatus; and

a change request sending part ~~sending~~ configured to send a change request setting process items of the process instruction description to change.

15. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus as claimed in claim 13, further comprising:

a instruction description obtaining part ~~obtaining~~ configured to obtain the process instruction description from the apparatus;

an instruction description creating part ~~creating~~ configured to create another process instruction description in which process items set in the process instruction description obtained by said instruction description obtaining part are changed; and

an instruction description sending part ~~sending~~ configured to send the process instruction description created by the instruction description creating part to the apparatus.

16. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable recording medium recorded with a program for causing a computer functioned as an information processing apparatus to conduct a process instruction to an apparatus for executing a process, said program comprising the codes for:

obtaining, from a repository apparatus, a ticket showing a use permission of an object data set;

sending the obtained ticket to the apparatus for executing a process corresponding to the object data set;

[[a)] obtaining an instruction description identification specifying a process instruction description from [[an]] the apparatus for executing [[a]] the process, said instruction description identification setting process items; and

[[b)] indicating the instruction description identification obtained by said code,
[[b)] and sending a process instruction instructing an execution of the process to the
apparatus.

17-29. (Canceled)